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PATENT

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For: Insulation Blanket With Cut Guidelines
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REPLY BRIEF

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Sir:

THE EXAMINER'S ANSWER LACKS CREDIBILITY

The Examiner's Answer, on page 3, three lines from the bottom states that:

Ernest (figure 2) shows a blanket of fibrous building
insulating... (sic)

That statement is flatly untrue. Ernest shows a "forced gas appliance" with insulation in it [col. 2 L. 42-51]. It has absolutely *nothing* to do with a *building*.

The Examiner's Answer states at page 4 lines 7-8:

Ernest (figure 2) shows... spots of adhesive visible through the
perforations *at the second sheet surface* of the facing sheet...